

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**[0001]** This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 6,912,634 (U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/973,547), filed October 9, 2001, issued June 28, 2005, entitled "VERIFYING THE INTEGRITY OF A MEDIA KEY BLOCK BY STORING VALIDATION DATA IN A VALIDATION AREA OF MEDIA", which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 6,738,878 (U.S. Patent Application, Serial No. 09/823,718), filed March 30, 2001, issued May 18, 2004, entitled "VERIFYING THE INTEGRITY OF A MEDIA KEY BLOCK BY STORING VALIDATION DATA IN THE CUTTING AREA OF MEDIA", which is a continuation in part of presently co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/750,642 filed on December 28, 2000, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VERIFYING THE INTEGRITY OF A MEDIA KEY BLOCK".